



## **Texas Department of Insurance**

### **Division of Workers' Compensation**

Medical Fee Dispute Resolution, MS-48

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## **MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **Requestor Name and Address**

MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
3255 W PIONEER PKWY  
ARLINGTON TX 76013-4620

#### **Respondent Name**

American Zurich Insurance Co.

#### **Carrier's Austin Representative Box**

Box Number 19

#### **MFDR Tracking Number**

M4-11-3805-01

#### **MFDR Date Received**

June 30, 2011

### **REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY**

**Requestor's Position Summary:** "Since TDI moved to a 200% of MAR for outpatient services on 3/1/2008 for hospital claims, we have reviewed the Medicare allowance and decided the insurance reimbursement does not meet this criteria."

**Amount in Dispute:** \$5,365.46

### **RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY**

**Respondent's Position Summary:** "These services are subject to the fee guidelines in 28 TAC 134.403 and a 10% reduction from that amount based on a PPO contracted discount."

**Response Submitted by:** Flahive, Ogden & Latson

### **SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

Date(s) of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
July 22 through July 23, 2010	Outpatient Hospital Services	\$5,365.46	\$4,426.30

### **FINDINGS AND DECISION**

This medical fee dispute is decided pursuant to Texas Labor Code §413.031 and all applicable, adopted rules of the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation.

#### **Background**

1. 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307 sets out the procedures for resolving medical fee disputes.
2. 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403, titled *Hospital Facility Fee Guideline – Outpatient*, sets out the reimbursement guidelines for facility services provided in an outpatient acute care hospital.
3. 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.203, titled *Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services*, sets out the reimbursement guidelines for professional medical services..
4. 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.4 provides for written notification to health care providers of contractual agreements for informal and voluntary networks.
5. The services in dispute were reduced/denied by the respondent with the following reason codes:

Explanation of benefits dated September 14, 2010

- BL – SECTION 413.042 OF THE TEXAS LABOR CODE PROHIBITS A PROVIDER FROM BALANCE BILLING AN INJURED WORKER FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION COMP
- BL – THIS BILL WAS REVIEWED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR FEE FOR SERVICE CONTRACT WITH COVENTRY, FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS ANALYSIS PLEASE
- TO AVOID DUPLICATE BILL DENIAL, FOR ALL RECON/ADJUSTMENTS/ADDITIONAL PYMNT REQUESTS, SUBMIT A COPY OF THIS EOR OR CLEAR NOTATION THAT
- 45 – (45) CHARGE EXCEEDS FEE SCHEDULE/MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE OR CONTRACTED/LEGISLATED FEE ARRANGEMENT.
- W1 – (W1) WORKERS COMPENSATION STATE FEE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT.
- 96 – (96) NON-COVERED CHARGE(S).
- 45 – (45) CHARGE EXCEEDS FEE SCHEDULE/MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE OR CONTRACTED/LEGISLATED FEE ARRANGEMENT.
- 16 – CLAIM/SERVICE LACKS INFORMATION WHICH IS NEEDED FOR ADJUDICATION

Explanation of benefits dated November 16, 2010

- BL – THIS IS A RECONSIDERATION OF A PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL
- BL – TO AVOID DUPLICATE BILL DENIAL, FOR ALL RECON/ADJUSTMENTS/ADDITIONAL PYMNT REQUESTS, SUBMIT A COPY OF THIS EOR OR CLEAR NOTATION THAT
- 45 – (45) CHARGE EXCEEDS FEE SCHEDULE/MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE OR CONTRACTED/LEGISLATED FEE ARRANGEMENT.
- 16 – (16) CLAIM/SERVICE LACKS INFORMATION WHICH IS NEEDED FOR ADJUDICATION.
- W1 – (W1) WORKERS COMPENSATION STATE FEE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT
- 96 – (96) NON-COVERED CHARGE(S).
- 45 – (45) THIS LINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE RECONSIDERATION OF THIS PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL.
- 16 – (16) THIS LINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE RECONSIDERATION OF THIS PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL.
- W1 – (W1) THIS LINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE RECONSIDERATION OF THIS PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL.
- 96 – (96) THIS LINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE RECONSIDERATION OF THIS PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL

Explanation of benefits dated March 22, 2011

- BL – THIS BILL IS A RECONSIDERATION OF A PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL.
- BL – ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE IS NOT RECOMMENDED AS THIS CLAIM WAS PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE GUIDELINE, USUAL/CUSTOMARY POLICIES, OR THE
- BL – TO AVOID DUPLICATE BILL DENIAL, FOR ALL RECON/ADJUSTMENTS/ADDITIONAL PYMNT REQUESTS, SUBMIT A COPY OF THIS EOR OR CLEAR NOTATION THAT
- 45 – (45) CHARGES EXCEED YOUR CONTRACTED/LEGISLATED FEE ARRANGEMENT.
- 16 – (16) CLAIM/SERVICE LACKS INFORMATION WHICH IS NEEDED FOR ADJUDICATION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED USING REMITTANCE ADVICE REMA
- W1 – (W1) WORKERS COMPENSATION STATE FEE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT.
- 45 – (45) THIS LINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE RECONSIDERATION OF THIS PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL.
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- W1 – (W1) THIS LINE WAS INCLUDED IN THE RECONSIDERATION OF THIS PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL.

Explanation of benefits dated July 7, 2011

- BL – THIS BILL IS A RECONSIDERATION OF A PREVIOUSLY REVIEWED BILL. ALLOWANCE AMOUNTS DO NOT REFLECT PREVIOUS PAYMENTS.
- BL – TO AVOID DUPLICATE BILL DENIAL, FOR ALL RECON/ADJUSTMENTS/ADDITIONAL PYMNT REQUESTS, SUBMIT A COPY OF THIS EOR OR CLEAR NOTATION THAT A RECON IS REQUESTED.
- 45 – (45) CHARGES EXCEED YOUR CONTRACTED/LEGISLATED FEE ARRANGEMENT.
- 97 – (97) THE BENEFIT FOR THIS SERVICE IS INCLUDED IN THE PAYMENT/ALLOWANCE FOR ANOTHER SERVICE/PROCEDURE THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN ADJUDICATED.
- 16 – (16) CLAIM/SERVICE LACKS INFORMATION WHICH IS NEEDED FOR ADJUDICATION. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED USING REMITTANCE ADVICE REMA

- W1 – (W1) WORKERS COMPENSATION STATE FEE SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT.
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### **Issues**

1. Are the disputed services subject to a contractual agreement between the parties to this dispute?
2. What is the applicable rule for determining reimbursement for the disputed services?
3. What is the recommended payment amount for the services in dispute?
4. Is the requestor entitled to reimbursement?

### **Findings**

1. The insurance carrier reduced or denied disputed services with reason code 45 – “CHARGES EXCEEDS YOUR CONTRACTED/LEGISLATED FEE ARRANGEMENT and BL – THIS BILL WAS REVIEWED IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR FEE FOR SERVICE CONTRACT WITH COVENTRY, FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS ANALYSIS PLEASE.” Review of the submitted information found insufficient documentation to support that the disputed services were subject to a contractual fee arrangement between the parties to this dispute. Nevertheless, on September 21, 2010, the Division requested the respondent to provide a copy of the referenced contract as well as documentation to support notification to the healthcare provider, as required by 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.4, that the insurance carrier had been given access to the contracted fee arrangement. Review of the submitted information finds that the documentation does not support notification to the healthcare provider in the time and manner required, nor does the documentation support that the respondent had been granted access to the health care provider’s contracted fee arrangement during the time of the disputed services. Thorough review of the submitted documentation finds no convincing evidence of timely notification in accordance with §133.4(f). The Division concludes that, pursuant to §133.4(g), the insurance carrier is not entitled to pay the health care provider at a contracted fee. Consequently, per §133.4(h), the disputed services will be reviewed for payment in accordance with applicable Division rules and fee guidelines.
2. This dispute relates to facility services performed in an outpatient hospital setting with reimbursement subject to the provisions of 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403, which requires that the reimbursement calculation used for establishing the maximum allowable reimbursement (MAR) shall be the Medicare facility specific amount, including outlier payment amounts, determined by applying the most recently adopted and effective Medicare Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS) reimbursement formula and factors as published annually in the Federal Register with the application of minimal modifications as set forth in the rule. Per §134.403(f)(1), the sum of the Medicare facility specific reimbursement amount and any applicable outlier payment amount shall be multiplied by 200 percent, unless a facility or surgical implant provider requests separate reimbursement of implantables. Review of the submitted documentation finds that separate reimbursement for implantables was not requested.
3. Under the Medicare Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS), each billed service is assigned an Ambulatory Payment Classification (APC) based on the procedure code used, the supporting documentation and the other services that appear on the bill. A payment rate is established for each APC. Depending on the services provided, hospitals may be paid for more than one APC per encounter. Payment for ancillary and supportive items and services, including services that are billed without procedure codes, is packaged into payment for the primary service. A full list of APCs is published quarterly in the OPPS final rules which are publicly available through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) website. Reimbursement for the disputed services is calculated as follows:
  - Procedure code C1713, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code 36415, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to

the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$3.00. 125% of this amount is \$3.75. The recommended payment is \$3.75.

- Procedure code 80053, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$15.14. 125% of this amount is \$18.93. The recommended payment is \$18.93.
- Procedure code 85025, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$11.14. 125% of this amount is \$13.93. The recommended payment is \$13.93.
- Procedure code 85610, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$5.62. 125% of this amount is \$7.02. The recommended payment is \$7.02.
- Procedure code 85730, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$8.60. 125% of this amount is \$10.75. The recommended payment is \$10.75.
- Procedure code 87077, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$11.57. 125% of this amount is \$14.46. The recommended payment is \$14.46.
- Procedure code 87086, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$11.57. 125% of this amount is \$14.46. The recommended payment is \$14.46.
- Procedure code 87186, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of A, which denotes services paid under a fee schedule or payment system other than OPPS. Per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.403(h), for outpatient services for which Medicare reimburses using fee schedules other than OPPS, reimbursement is made using the applicable Division fee guideline in effect for that service on the date the service was provided. Facility payment for the technical component of this service is calculated according to the Medical Fee Guideline for Professional Services, §134.203(e)(1). The fee listed for this code in the Medicare Clinical Fee Schedule is \$12.38. 125% of this amount is \$15.48. The recommended payment is \$15.48.

- Procedure code 73100, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of X, which denotes ancillary services paid under OPPS with separate APC payment. These services are classified under APC 0260, which, per OPPS Addendum A, has a payment rate of \$44.90. This amount multiplied by 60% yields an unadjusted labor-related amount of \$26.94. This amount multiplied by the annual wage index for this facility of 0.9347 yields an adjusted labor-related amount of \$25.18. The non-labor related portion is 40% of the APC rate or \$17.96. The sum of the labor and non-labor related amounts is \$43.14. The cost of these services does not exceed the annual fixed-dollar threshold of \$2,175. The outlier payment amount is \$0. The total APC payment for this line is \$43.14. This amount multiplied by 200% yields a MAR of \$86.28.
- Procedure code 76000, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of Q1, which denotes STVX-packaged codes; payment for these services is packaged into the payment for any other procedures with status indicators S, T, V, or X that are billed for the same date of service. This code may be separately payable only if no other such procedures are billed for the same date. Review of the submitted information finds that OPPS criteria for separate payment have not been met. Payment for this service is included in the payment for procedure code 25608 billed on the same claim. The use of a modifier is not appropriate. Separate payment is not recommended.
- Procedure code 71020, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of X, which denotes ancillary services paid under OPPS with separate APC payment. These services are classified under APC 0260, which, per OPPS Addendum A, has a payment rate of \$44.90. This amount multiplied by 60% yields an unadjusted labor-related amount of \$26.94. This amount multiplied by the annual wage index for this facility of 0.9347 yields an adjusted labor-related amount of \$25.18. The non-labor related portion is 40% of the APC rate or \$17.96. The sum of the labor and non-labor related amounts is \$43.14. The cost of these services does not exceed the annual fixed-dollar threshold of \$2,175. The outlier payment amount is \$0. The total APC payment for this line is \$43.14. This amount multiplied by 200% yields a MAR of \$86.28.
- Procedure code 25608, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of T, which denotes a significant procedure subject to multiple-procedure discounting. The highest paying status T procedure is paid at 100%; all others are paid at 50%. This procedure is paid at 100%. These services are classified under APC 0064, which, per OPPS Addendum A, has a payment rate of \$4,413.42. This amount multiplied by 60% yields an unadjusted labor-related amount of \$2,648.05. This amount multiplied by the annual wage index for this facility of 0.9347 yields an adjusted labor-related amount of \$2,475.13. The non-labor related portion is 40% of the APC rate or \$1,765.37. The sum of the labor and non-labor related amounts is \$4,240.50. Per 42 Code of Federal Regulations §419.43(d) and Medicare Claims Processing Manual, CMS Publication 100-04, Chapter 4, §10.7.1, if the total cost for a service exceeds 1.75 times the OPPS payment and also exceeds the annual fixed-dollar threshold of \$2,175, the outlier payment is 50% of the amount by which the cost exceeds 1.75 times the OPPS payment. Per the OPPS Facility-Specific Impacts file, CMS lists the cost-to-charge ratio for this provider as 0.354. This ratio multiplied by the billed charge of \$2,910.62 yields a cost of \$1,030.36. The total cost of all packaged items is allocated proportionately across all separately paid OPPS services based on the percentage of the total APC payment. The APC payment for these services of \$4,240.50 divided by the sum of all APC payments is 85.52%. The sum of all packaged costs is \$2,656.00. The allocated portion of packaged costs is \$2,271.41. This amount added to the service cost yields a total cost of \$3,301.77. The cost of these services exceeds the annual fixed-dollar threshold of \$2,175. The amount by which the cost exceeds 1.75 times the OPPS payment is \$0.00. The total APC payment for this line is \$4,240.50. This amount multiplied by 200% yields a MAR of \$8,481.00.
- Procedure code 64721, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of T, which denotes a significant procedure subject to multiple-procedure discounting. The highest paying status T procedure is paid at 100%; all others are paid at 50%. This procedure is paid at 50%. These services are classified under APC 0220, which, per OPPS Addendum A, has a payment rate of \$1,261.84. This amount multiplied by 60% yields an unadjusted labor-related amount of \$757.10. This amount multiplied by the annual wage index for this facility of 0.9347 yields an adjusted labor-related amount of \$707.66. The non-labor related portion is 40% of the APC rate or \$504.74. The sum of the labor and non-labor related amounts is \$1,212.40. The cost of these services does not exceed the annual fixed-dollar threshold of \$2,175. The outlier payment amount is \$0. The total APC payment for this line, including multiple-procedure discount, is \$606.20. This amount multiplied by 200% yields a MAR of \$1,212.40.
- Procedure code J0330, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
- Procedure code J0690, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
- Procedure code J1100, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged

items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.

- Procedure code J1885, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code J2175, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code J2250, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code J2405, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code J2550, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code J2710 date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code J3010, date of service July 23, 2010, has a status indicator of N, which denotes packaged items and services with no separate APC payment; payment is packaged into the reimbursement for other services, including outliers.
  - Procedure code 93005, date of service July 22, 2010, has a status indicator of S, which denotes a significant procedure, not subject to multiple-procedure discounting, paid under OPPS with separate APC payment. These services are classified under APC 0099, which, per OPPS Addendum A, has a payment rate of \$26.56. This amount multiplied by 60% yields an unadjusted labor-related amount of \$15.94. This amount multiplied by the annual wage index for this facility of 0.9347 yields an adjusted labor-related amount of \$14.90. The non-labor related portion is 40% of the APC rate or \$10.62. The sum of the labor and non-labor related amounts is \$25.52. The cost of these services does not exceed the annual fixed-dollar threshold of \$2,175. The outlier payment amount is \$0. The total APC payment for this line is \$25.52. This amount multiplied by 200% yields a MAR of \$51.04.
4. The total allowable reimbursement for the services in dispute is \$10,015.78. This amount less the amount previously paid by the insurance carrier of \$5,589.48 leaves an amount due to the requestor of \$4,426.30. This amount is recommended.

### **Conclusion**

For the reasons stated above, the Division finds that the requestor has established that additional reimbursement is due. As a result, the amount ordered is \$4,426.30.

### ***ORDER***

Based upon the documentation submitted by the parties and in accordance with the provisions of Texas Labor Code Sections 413.031 and 413.019 (if applicable), the Division has determined that the requestor is entitled to additional reimbursement for the services involved in this dispute. The Division hereby ORDERS the respondent to remit to the requestor the amount of \$4,426.30, plus applicable accrued interest per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.130, due within 30 days of receipt of this order.

### **Authorized Signature**

<hr/>	<b>Peggy Miller</b>	<hr/>
Signature	Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer	Date

### ***YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL***

Either party to this medical fee dispute may appeal this decision by requesting a contested case hearing. A completed **Request for a Medical Contested Case Hearing** (form **DWC045A**) must be received by the DWC Chief Clerk of Proceedings within **twenty** days of your receipt of this decision. A request for hearing should be sent to: Chief Clerk of Proceedings, Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers Compensation, P.O. Box 17787, Austin, Texas, 78744. The party seeking review of the MDR decision shall deliver a copy of the request for a hearing to all other parties involved in the dispute at the same time the request is filed with the Division. **Please include a copy of the *Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Findings and Decision*** together with any other required information specified in 28 Texas Administrative Code §148.3(c), including a **certificate of service demonstrating that the request has been sent to the other party.**

**Si prefiere hablar con una persona en español acerca de ésta correspondencia, favor de llamar a 512-804-4812.**